

Amendments to the Specification:

[0029] The cord returner 41 of the left cord tensioner 19, as shown in FIGS. 2-4, is preferably a longitudinally-extending, generally cylindrical member that can fit slidably in the hollow interior space 49 of the spring housing 39 to the left of the spring 37. The cord returner 41 has a first or left end 61, a longitudinally-elongate body 63, a second or right end 65, and a cord groove 67 which extends about the top, bottom and left sides of the cord returner. The right end 65 of the cord ~~retainer~~ returner 41 rests against the left spring end 45. To this end, the diameter of the right end 65 of cord ~~retainer~~ returner 41 is bigger than the diameter of the spring 37. This means that when the left guide cord 15 is pulled, causing it to be pulled to the right--outwardly of the spring housing 39--it pulls the left end 61 of the cord ~~retainer~~ returner 41 to the right, which causes the right end 65 of the cord ~~retainer~~ returner 41 to urge the left spring end 45 to the right, thereby compressing the spring 37 to the right against the inner surface 51A of the abutment member 51 of the housing 39--without the left guide cord pulling the cord ~~retainer~~ returner 41 into the spring windings 47.

BEST AVAILABLE COPY